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Thank you Frank. Not exactly sure when the transition will be (clearance is always slower than one hopes), but I will surely be in touch.

Best,
Nancy

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Thanks Tate.

Nancy – I'll look forward to working with you. Let me know how I can be of support as you transition to your new role.

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Frank- As a side note, and this isn't public at EPA yet so hold close, but we have a wonderful senior team member and scientist that is about to go on detail to NEC at the White House specifically to help us coordinate the federal response & develop a national strategy for PFAS. Her name is Dr. Nancy Beck and she is phenomenal to work with. I am copying her on this email so you two may get acquainted.

Nancy- Frank joined FDA as the Deputy Commissioner for Food Policy last December after serving in two very senior leadership roles in the food and entertainment private sectors. You might recall me mentioning him to you recently as the reason for our newfound heightened collaboration with FDA on an array of issues (biotech, food waste, pfas). We are lucky to have such a thoughtful, proactive counterpart in Frank as a counterpart at our sister regulatory agency.

I hope you both may connect soon as I know you will enjoy working together.

Tate

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Thanks Andrew. On behalf of FDA, I can say we would welcome this opportunity.

Someone from FDA will get back to you to help us lock-down a date that works for all. If at all possible, I'd like to join.

Thanks

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FDA colleagues – thank you for your time yesterday, it was a very interesting discussion. A couple of follow ups...

1. When the heat dies down and we have some time, I would be very interested in a call or meeting with FDA scientists and science management working on PFAS issues, to exchange information about our ongoing work. I could present EPA's research agenda – the lines of work we are doing, what we have learned so far – and would be very interested in hearing the same from the FDA side. Please let me know if you would like me to contact someone on the FDA side to set this up.
2. A question was asked about reference dose values for chemicals beyond PFOA and PFOS. EPA has 2 draft assessments out and 5 more underway (which I could cover in my briefing), but as Jennifer pointed out the numbers are draft for now.

Just FYI, another source of information that FDA might want to consider is that many states are moving ahead with various kinds of limits for PFAS, and some of those are 'final', so that might be informative to FDA. The Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC) maintains an excellent web site for PFAS resources, including a running list of regulatory values for different PFAS by different jurisdictions. The link is here: <https://pfas-1.itrcweb.org/fact-sheets/>

Best regards, Andy

PS I was at the SETAC meeting last week in Helsinki and had a chance to talk to the scientist presenting the poster. It is a very nice piece of work. While we need to work on the risk communications aspect, the science looks very good and of high interest and I think there are many opportunities for EPA and FDA scientists to collaborate going forward, particularly in the areas of PFAS exposures.

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